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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 19, 2001, please extend the period of time for response one month, to expire on February 19, 2002. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee.

Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 4-10, 16 and 58-60, drawn to isolated polynucleotides, fusions, vectors and host cells comprising the polynucleotides, and SEQ ID NO:107 (P504S), for examination at this time.

Consideration of the elected claims is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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